

Panama Canal Regulations

§ 103.42

§ 103.40 Transit schedules; pennants.

(a) When a pilot is assigned to a ship for northbound or southbound canal transit he shall be given a schedule number and the expected time of arrival at south end of Miraflores Locks or at north end of Gatun Locks.

(b) Northbound ships shall fly "H" under International numeral pennant corresponding to schedule assigned.

Southbound ships shall fly "H" over International numeral pennant corresponding to schedule assigned.

In addition: Preference ships shall fly "Z" (blue light at night); hazardous cargo will fly "B" (red light at night).

(c) Ships maneuvering in Canal waters with pilot on board shall fly "H".

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§ 103.41 Ships to display schedule number.

Each ship shall display throughout her transit, the flag or flags designating the schedule number on which it is running.

§ 103.42 Maneuvering characteristics; data required.

(a) Each vessel of 1,600 gross tons or over shall have the following maneuvering information prominently displayed in the wheelhouse on a fact sheet:

(1) For full and half speed, a turning circle diagram to port and starboard that shows the time and the distance of advance and transfer required to alter the course 90 degrees with maximum rudder angle and constant power settings.

(2) The time and distance required to stop the vessel from full and half speed while maintaining approximately the initial heading with minimum application of rudder.

(3) For each vessel with a fixed propeller, a table of shaft revolutions per minute for a representative range of speeds.

(4) For each vessel with a controllable pitch propeller, a table of control settings for a representative range of speeds.

(5) For each vessel that is fitted with an auxiliary device to assist in maneuvering, such as a bow thruster, a table of vessel speeds at which the auxiliary

device is effective in maneuvering the vessel.

(b) For tankships, the maneuvering information referred to in paragraph (a) of this section shall be provided for the normal load and normal ballast condition. For all other vessels, it shall be provided for the normal load and normal light condition with normal trim for a particular condition of loading. All the maneuvering information for all vessels which must be provided is to be based on the following:

(1) Calm weather—wind 10 knots or less, calm sea;

(2) No current;

(3) Deep water conditions—water depth twice the vessel's draft or greater; and

(4) Clean hull.

(c) The information on the fact sheet shall be:

(1) Verified six months after the vessel is placed into service; or

(2) Modified six months after the vessel is placed into service and verified within three months thereafter.

(d) The information that appears on the fact sheet may be obtained from:

(1) Trial trip observations;

(2) Model tests;

(3) Analytical calculations;

(4) Simulations;

(5) Information established from another vessel of similar hull form, power, rudder and propeller; or

(6) Any combination of the above.

The accuracy of the information in the fact sheet required is that attainable by ordinary shipboard navigation equipment.

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